

(d) The number of farmers assessed in the last five years is as follows :—

<i>Year</i>			<i>No. of farmers assessed</i>
1975-76	...	...	32,666
1976-77	...	...	28,375
1977-78	...	...	26,365
1978-79	...	...	34,106
1979-80	...	...	39,916

(e) Yes. The Karnataka Agricultural Income Tax (Amendment) Ordinance 1980, which came into effect from 1-4-1980, was promulgated and dry land crops were excluded from the purview of Act so that there would be no harassment to farmers.

Bore wells for South Kanara District

268. SRI B. A. MOHIDEEN (Bhantwal).—Will the Minister for Rural Development and Panchayath Raj be pleased to state :—

(a) the total No. of Bore wells sanctioned for South Kanara District so far ;

(b) of them, how many, have been dug by the Government and how many by the private agency on contract basis ;

(c) what is the expenditure incurred on each such Well on an average ;

(d) how many Bore wells are sanctioned ?

SRI B. RAMAIAH (Minister for Rural Development and Panchayath Raj).—

(a) 613 Bore wells (upto end of December 1980).
No.

(b) (i) No. of Bore wells dug by
Government Riggs 168

(ii) No. of Bore wells dug by
Private agency 127

(c) Average expenditure on each Well is about Rs. 10,000.

(d) Vide reply to the question as (a).